

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

JON CHEETHAM, JANET
CHEETHAM,

Plaintiffs,

V.

**SPECIALIZED LOAN SERVICING
LLC, et al.,**

Defendants.

CASE NO. 2:20-CV-762-JCC-DWC

ORDER SETTING TRIAL DATE AND PRETRIAL SCHEDULE

The Court has reviewed the parties' Joint Status Report (Dkt. 33) and schedules this case for a five-day jury trial on **July 19, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. before the Honorable John C.**

Coughenour, Courtroom 16206 with the following pretrial schedule:

Event	Date
Deadline for joining additional parties	August 25, 2020
Deadline for amending pleadings	August 25, 2020
Expert disclosures under Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2)	November 6, 2020
Rebuttal expert disclosures	December 7, 2020

1	Last date to file motions related to discovery	December 21, 2020
2	Discovery completed by	January 15, 2021
3	All dispositive motions must be filed by (see LCR 7(d))	March 4, 2021
4	Mediation per LCR 39.1(c), if requested by the parties, held no later than	May 20, 2021
5	All motions in limine must be filed by this date and noted on the motion calendar no later than the THIRD Friday after filing.	June 25, 2021
6	Motions in limine raised in trial briefs will not be considered.	
7	Agreed LCR 16.1 Pretrial Order due	July 7, 2021
8	Trial briefs, proposed voir dire, jury instructions, and exhibits by	July 12, 2021
9	Pretrial conference	To be set by the Court

This order sets firm dates that can be changed only by order of the Court, not by agreement of counsel for the parties. The Court will alter these dates only upon good cause shown. Failure to complete discovery within the time allowed is not recognized as good cause. If any of the dates identified in this Order or the Local Civil Rules fall on a weekend or federal holiday, the act or event shall be performed on the next business day.

If the trial dates assigned to this matter creates an irreconcilable conflict, counsel must notify Deputy Clerk Kim Brye at kim_brye@wawd.uscourts.gov, within 10 days of the date of this Order and must set forth the exact nature of the conflict. A failure to do so will be deemed a waiver. Counsel must be prepared to begin trial on the date scheduled, but it should be understood that the trial may have to await the completion of other cases.

Trial Procedures

1. Jury Instructions. Jury instructions should be numbered sequentially. Counsel should submit two copies of proposed jury instructions, one with citations and one without, and should send electronic copies of the instructions to the chambers orders inbox at

1 coughenourorders@wawd.uscourts.gov. Counsel is advised that the Court relies primarily on the
2 Ninth Circuit Manual of Model Jury instructions, available at [http://www3.ce9.uscourts.gov/jury-
3 instructions/model-civil](http://www3.ce9.uscourts.gov/jury-instructions/model-civil). The Court will rarely, if ever, deviate from the model instructions'
4 language. Counsel should refer to the filing instructions in Local Rule CR 51(h) for further
5 instruction on Joint Instructions and Joint Statements of Disputed Instructions.

6 **2. Trial exhibits.** The Court must receive all trial exhibits by the date noted above.

7 All trial exhibits must be pre-marked by counsel. Exhibit tags can be obtained from the Clerk's
8 Office. Plaintiff's exhibits shall be numbered consecutively starting with number 1.
9 Defendant's exhibits shall be numbered consecutively starting with number A-1. Duplicated
10 documents shall not be listed twice on the exhibit list. **Once a party has identified an exhibit
11 on the exhibit list or in the pretrial order, any party may use it. Each set of exhibits shall
12 be submitted in a three-ring binder with appropriately numbered tabs. This original, and
13 one copy, should be delivered to the in-court clerk on the morning of trial.** If the exhibit list
14 is revised at any time after it is filed with the Court, counsel shall file a revised exhibit list.
15 Technology training is strongly encouraged.

16 **Discovery**

17 As required by CR 37(a), all discovery matters are to be resolved by agreement if
18 possible. Counsel shall also cooperate in preparing the agreed pretrial order in the format
19 required by CR 16.1.

20 **Settlement**

21 The Court designates this case for mediation under CR 39.1(c) and the parties are
22 directed to follow through with the procedures set forth in that rule. If this case settles,
23 plaintiff's counsel shall notify Kim Brye at kim_brye@wawd.uscourts.gov, as soon as possible.
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1 Pursuant to CR11(b), an attorney who fails to give the Deputy Clerk prompt notice of settlement
2 may be subject to such discipline as the Court deems appropriate.

3 Dated this 15th day of July, 2020.

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6 David W. Christel
7 United States Magistrate Judge
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